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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE BULLETIN

THE next session of the General Conference is to be held in Washington, D. C., May 13 to June 6, and the General Conference have decided to issue a *Daily Bulletin* during the session, instead of giving condensed reports in the *Review*, as was done last session.

The General Conference *Bulletin*, therefore, will be re-entered as second-class matter, and issued daily during the session, and then go out of print until the next session.

It will be the same size as former *Bulletins*, about like the *Review* as far as size of page is concerned. It will contain from sixteen to thirty-two pages per issue, as may be required to give to our people a full detailed report of the proceedings of the conference. The price is fixed at 50 cents, post-paid, for the full issue, covering the entire reports of the session. There will be no club rate on the *Bulletin*. The price is made at 50 cents straight all over the world.

All our people know the true worth of the *Bulletin*, and should hail its return with delight, as it was very much missed at the last General Conference meeting, especially by those who were unable to attend the meetings. In order to get it entered at the Washington post-office, they must have a bona-fide subscription list; hence we are asking early for subscriptions. We are anxious that every family in the different states and conferences shall have the *Bulletin*, so we would urge you to send in your orders to your state tract society as soon as possible after you read this announcement, that your secretary may be able to send the orders on, and not cause you disappointment.

Those who do not order until about the time of the conference, need not complain if they do not get the first issues promptly, even if they get them at all. Everything will be in a rush at the opening of the conference, and it will be impossible to receive orders and furnish back numbers after the conference opens. Please do all you can to get your orders to your secretaries as early as possible. Yours sincerely,

MRS. W. M. CROTHERS,

Southern Union Conf. Missionary Secy.

JUNIOR READING COURSE

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NOTES

DAVID LIVINGSTONE was born in poverty, and did not have the privilege of going to school, but he was determined to have an education. Even though he had to work very hard in a factory, he used to put his book on the spinning-jenny so that he could read a sentence now and then as he worked. In this way he obtained a good knowledge of the common branches. When about twenty years old he decided to become a missionary; and in order that he might be better prepared for his work, he took a medical course. His love for the natives of Africa led him to cross the Dark Continent six times, where he forded the streams, pushed his way through swamps and jungles, and battled against starvation and the deadly African fever. His life was often in danger, for in many places he was the first white man the natives had ever seen. He did much to open Africa to commerce, but one of the greatest blessings that has resulted from his work is the abolition of the slave trade.

After he died, his heart was removed from his body, and buried by loving hands in the forests of the continent for which he gave his life. After many hardships his faithful servants at last succeeded in bringing his body to the coast. It was taken to England and buried in Westminster Abbey.

THE BOERS are the farmers of South Africa. They descended from the Dutch who founded Cape Colony in 1650, and are a very simple people. The older men have little use for modern ways. Large herds of cattle and sheep roam over the large farms where the grass does not grow very plentifully. The Boers have been very cruel to the natives, and this was one of the causes for the war they had with England a few years ago.

AFRICAN BOYS AND GIRLS have a very merry time at their games. When they play ball they choose up sides, and the ball is thrown up, while one side tries to keep it from the other just as long as they can. They have

pop-guns, too, only they are made from the bark of a tree or of reeds. The girls never play with dolls. The little black boys and girls are really very good tempered, and if you give one of them even a pinch of salt, no matter how many playmates may be near, he divides with every one.

The little African only goes into his house if it rains, or if he is going to bed; and if he is tall, then he must stoop to get in. It is all dark inside unless there is a fire, which always smokes, since the houses have no chimneys. They look very much like bee-hives.

OUR WORK in Africa began at Cape Town about 1886. This is an English settlement. The people seemed especially glad to hear of the Sabbath, and soon a church was organized.

The first Seventh-day Adventist mission among the heathen was established in Matabeleland. Elder Tripp and Brother Anderson were the first workers. Their lives were often in danger, and they had very little food; but God's Word never failed them, and they were kept from harm. A training-school has been started there, from which native teachers are sent out into the kraals (villages) to help the people. We now have six large stations in different parts of Africa, besides the village schools. Our missionaries are working on the Gold Coast, which is known as the “white man's grave.” There are millions of our dark-skinned brothers and sisters who have never heard of Jesus. They are waiting! waiting!

WORK WHERE YOU ARE

“Perhaps you cannot go away
To some far distant clime,
To preach the glorious truth of God,
The message for this time;
But then your own dear little home
Can be your mission field.
Just work for God where'er you are,
Let love her scepter wield.

“Perhaps you cannot preach like Paul,
In language clear and plain;
But you can live the truth of God,
And work in Jesus' name.
Perhaps you cannot do great things,
Nor mighty deeds each day;
But you can speak of Jesus' love,
Or give a tract away.”

FLORIDA ITEMS

A TENT effort was started at Daytona the 17th. A good attendance marked the beginning of the effort.

Mrs. Josephine Gotzian, of Madison, Tenn., is spending a few days at the Sanitarium. Her expressions of enjoyment of the surroundings are very much appreciated.

Judge Addison Oliver of Onawa, Iowa, and his niece, Miss Maude Oliver, have been guests at the Sanitarium for more than a week. The judge is taking a course of treatment.

Another cottage is being built for the accommodation of more patients. The correspondence promises a demand for more room in the future. Already a tent has had to be pitched to make necessary room.

At a meeting of the Young People's Society, Jan. 20, an interesting study of the first chapter of Hebrews was given. Three of the guests were present.

The Sabbath-school Department of the Florida Conference has made its best record yet. The offerings of the last quarter were \$215.96, and \$212.68 of this went to missions. The small expense item of \$3.28 was made up by two schools only. Perhaps they will do better next time.

Beginning with April 1, the lessons in all of the departments of the Sabbath-school will be on the life of Christ. This will be advantageous, as the whole family can unite in the study of the lessons. If we know of any one not being benefited by the study of these good lessons, let us make a special effort to help them become interested.

THE FLORIDA SANITARIUM

SINCE the opening of the Florida Sanitarium at Orlando, Oct. 15, it has enjoyed an excellent patronage, and at the present time its capacity is somewhat taxed. One encouraging feature is the fact that the patronage has been so largely local. A short time ago a Catholic family of considerable prominence, living near the sanitarium, brought their daughter to the institution for an operation. Owing to the gravity of her condition, the parents feared she could not be saved. Accordingly they called in the priest to give her the "extreme unction,"—the last sacrament,—before she was placed upon the table.

As the patient had been a student at St. Joseph's School for Girls, the sisters kept the sanitarium telephone quite busy with inquiries concerning the case.

The operation proved remarkably successful, and the patient is making a rapid and complete recovery. On Sunday, Jan. 17, both the priest and the Mother Superior of St. Joseph's visited the patient at the sanitarium, and seeing what had been accomplished for her, they became deeply interested in the work of the institution. They provided themselves with a supply of our sanitarium booklets, to hand out to those needing medical attention. Brethren, cannot you do as much as they for our sanitarium? If so, send for a supply of the booklets. They are free.

This institution stands for the principles of the third angel's message. We are trying to keep prominently before its guests the special truths for this time. When Sister White wrote us encouraging us to secure this property, and enter upon the work, she said she hoped it would "become an important center, from which many well-trained medical missionaries will go forth into the unworked parts of the Lord's vineyard." This is our aim. We have a small class in training now, and would be glad to add others to it.

We ask the prayers and help of our brethren everywhere, that this institution may be what God intended it should be.

R. W. PARMELE, *Pres. Fla. Conf.*

REPORT OF LABOR

FROM Jan. 1-3 I was at Jacksonville, associated with Elder Stephenson and Brother W. K. Achenbach in the dedication of the church. The long struggle in paying for the building is over, and the church was ready to enjoy their jubilee. In all, seven services were held. On Sabbath morning almost the entire company joined in dedicating themselves to God. Some who had returned to hurtful habits renewed their consecration, and asserted their liberty. When the call was made, almost the whole congregation came forward for prayers, and heartfelt confessions followed. We were pained to learn that some who had taken their stand for the truth during the past year had allowed the cares of this life to choke the word. We trust they will yet return to their first love.

Jan. 4 to 12 were spent at Nashville, Tenn., attending meetings of the Union Conference Committees and the Publishing House Constituency.

I am now (Jan. 21) at Daytona, engaged in a tent-meeting. Brethren Stephenson, Branson, Whitford, and Case are also here. Elder Stephenson hopes soon to begin a tent-meeting at Leesburg, providing arrangements can be made for suitable help. Brother Case hopes to sell a good supply of our books here during this effort.

To the children and youth of our conference I wish to say, Your tent has been busy since camp-meeting. For a long time it was at Hastings. The Lord blessed the effort there, and at Hastings and Orange Mills, five miles distant, eight adults are now rejoicing in present truth as a result. Your tent is now pitched by the beautiful Halifax River in Daytona, and each night a goodly number assemble in it to hear the truth. Do not forget to pray for the effort. The privilege of using your tent for field work makes it possible for us to put three tents into the field. 2 Thess. 3:1.

R. W. PARMELE.

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE NEWS NOTES

SISTER BERTHA MANN has gone to Hustburg, Tenn. to teach the church school there. For some time these brethren have pleaded for help.

Brother R. M. Kilgore has been holding

meetings at Leach church about four weeks. Several have begun keeping the Sabbath. Brother Kilgore speaks very encouragingly of his work there.

Does the Lord heal those who are sick and ask him for help? The following is from a letter written by Sister Keel, whom the Lord has just healed: "I was healed by prayer. I had heart failure and nervous prostration. The Lord answered prayer immediately; all praise to his name."

In the plans for our work this summer, Dickson, Tenn., will have a tent-meeting, followed by camp-meeting, Aug. 12-22. This place has been suggested for some time as being a good place. Dickson, since a part of Kentucky has been cut off from our conference, is very centrally located, and we trust that all our people will begin to prepare to attend this meeting and conference. I would like to hear from all Sabbath-keepers in and near Dickson, also.

Sabbath, Jan. 23, I spent with the Memphis church. The *Gospel Sentinel* came in for its share of time, and 105 copies were taken by this church. A paper for 25 cents with which to do missionary work, appealed to this church very readily. I shall look with interest to see this number increased in the near future. One of our Bible workers here said, "I expect to use 100 in my work." Will not our brethren and sisters look this matter up, and see the sacrifice that is being made on the part of the Publishing House and all concerned to see the work go? We must do this work quickly. God expects it of us. We all see and feel this, so let us take hold with all our might. Will not our missionary societies in all our churches follow the example of the Memphis church in taking a club of the *Gospel Sentinel*? Single subscription, 50 cents per year; in clubs of 5 or more, 25 cents per year. Let the orders come in at once to the Southern Publishing Association, 24th Ave. North, Nashville, Tenn.

February 6 is the time for the Religious Liberty collection. The work among the churches of the world to educate their members for a better observance of Sunday was never more aggressive than now. The Sunday advocates are continually before the Senate, Congress, and the legislatures of our country. The most drastic Sunday bill ever introduced in Congress is the Johnson bill that is before it now. Are you taking *Liberty*? If not, why not? It is only 25 cents a year. Send for it at once and keep up with this live question. W. R. BURROW.

WE are glad for the good work that has been done in our conferences, as indicated by the reports from the different states. We hope the enthusiasm and energy manifested at the recent convention in Nashville will continue to burn in the hearts of the workers who attended, and spread to those who did not, and that the reports of labor for 1909 will show greater success than ever before.

"HIGH endeavors are an inward light
That makes the path of duty always bright."

NASHVILLE CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Report for Last Quarter of 1908

Papers mailed to addresses furnished—

Watchman	650
REPORT OF PROGRESS	100
Special Reviews	75
Total ..	825
Bible readings held.....	6
Letters written to individuals.....	95
Letters sent with Review.....	75
Letters received	12

Literature Supplied to Three Railway Reading Racks

Watchman	850
Reviews	336
Youth's Instructors	20
Life and Health.....	200
Liberty	62
Signs of the Times.....	30
Little Friend	30
Total ..	1528
Liberty Tracts	700
Temperance Tracts	1500
Evangelical Tracts	5300
Total ..	7500
Religious Liberty pamphlets.....	104

Prison Work

Watchman and other papers given away..	1200
Books loaned	4
Pamphlets given	12

Work Done by Bible Worker

Missionary visits	212
Bible readings held.....	224
Prayer meetings	4
Persons supplied with financial aid.....	2
Hours of Christian Help Work.....	60

Besides the above, we have sent to leading lawyers, doctors, merchants, professors of colleges, and the governor of the state, also to Ex-Governor Porter the current numbers of *Liberty* and *Life and Health*.

We have had some interesting correspondence with some to whom we sent the papers, and received replies, telling us of some who have been revived in their Christian life by the letters we have written. I would like to emphasize the duty we owe to our absent members. We began correspondence with them about the middle of the year, and have received in reply some good letters, in which the writers express appreciation of the interest taken in them. Some who have not heard from the church for a long time, have sent money for different purposes. Thus the church has gained financially, and we have been a help to our isolated members.

Special *Reviews*, used by the members of the society during Thanksgiving week, aggregate seventeen hundred copies, while the donations received total about \$123. This, we think, is a very creditable showing financially, and no one can tell how much more may have been sent directly to Washington, or may yet be sent, by those who read the papers and became acquainted with our work. But still more important, we trust, than the cash collected, will be the moral effect and fruit which the paper may produce upon those who have received it. This will only be known in the world to come. We trust, also, that the ex-

perience gained by our people in this effort will prove of lasting benefit to those engaged in it, making them more ready for another effort, more diligent in using every-day opportunities, and developing some into regular workers with our papers and books. We know that the Lord depends upon the church for the forwarding of his work, and he expects us to do our duty as intelligent beings.

When we fully realize, as a people, the import of these words from the spirit of prophecy, "Upon us rests the weighty responsibility of warning the world of its coming doom. . . . From every direction, from far and near, are coming calls for help. . . . The minister in the desk announces the theory of the gospel; the practical piety of the church demonstrates its power," and learn from past experiences how to avoid failure, then we shall succeed. We are nearing the end of this earth's history, and the different lines of God's work are to be carried forward with much more self-sacrifice than has yet been manifested.

Mrs. W. M. CROTHERS, *Missionary Sec.*

THE NASHVILLE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

Report for Last Quarter of 1908

Number of members.....	31
Number taking Reading Course.....	10
Letters written	110
Letters received	25
Missionary visits (personal work).....	193
Bible readings or cottage meetings held	63
Papers sold	1067
Papers mailed, lent, or given away....	2331
Books sold	4
Books lent or given away.....	9
Pages of tracts sold.....	6
Pages of tracts lent or given away....	630
Hours of Christian Help Work.....	3
Articles of clothing given away.....	9
Number of meals provided.....	1
Offerings for Foreign Missions.....	\$.30
Offerings for Home Missions.....	30.00
Offerings for Local Society work.....	24.81

L. M. SPEAR, *Leader*,
MARGARET OWEN, *Secretary*.

CANVASSING REPORT

For Week Ending Jan. 16, 1909

Southern Union Conference

NAME—	Book	Hours	Value	Deliv'd
ALABAMA CONFERENCE				
Hugh W Jones.....	H&H	36	\$8 00	
M J Shaffer.....	BFL NTP	20	34 10	3 15
W G Ringgold.....	BFL	13	26 25	
W C Wales.....	BFL	19	16 20	2 00
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE				
Mrs Alice Reynolds 2w	BFL	56	14 75	8 25
M J Weber 2w.....	BFL	57	62 00	3 00
J S Moore.....	sofp sofp	35	6 30	7 00
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE				
J T Miller.....	D&R	40	71 18	
H C Bagley.....	CK	20	4 00	26 70
TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE				
J T Fry.....	BFL	14	7 90	
Mamie Moore	D&R	28	23 10	27 05
J S Moore.....	MISC	35	15 10	7 00
C H McColrey.....	D&R	26	18 75	1 25
Alice Patton	D&R	2	8 50	1 70
RECAPITULATION				
Alabama Conference.....	88	84	55	5 15
Kentucky Conference.....	148	83	05	18 25
Louisiana Conference....	60	75	18	26 70
Tennessee River Conf....	105	73	35	37 00
Totals ..	401	316	13	87 10

Southeastern Union Conference

NAME—	Book	Hours	Value	Deliv'd
CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE				
E D Haskell.....	—			28 75
W S Fulbright.....	D&R	36	24 35	
E A Clarke.....	D&R	36	22 50	
G A Slade.....	—	36	25 95	95
W Kirkham	BFL	30	27 50	
GEORGIA CONFERENCE				
Thos Henderson ..	PAPERS	11		10 70
J A Kimmell.....	BFL Stoc	13	1 80	4 10
Mrs R O Terry.....	D&R	19	25 60	
J D Andrews.....	GC	14		2 00
Burton Wade	BR	18	24 65	
FLORIDA CONFERENCE				
Gracie Hunter	BFL	38	6 00	5 50
NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE				
Miss Annie George..	MISC	25	7 35	3 85
J P Allran.....	CK	41	27 10	2 10
W E Lanier 2w.....	D&R	76	109 50	16 00
O R Steed.....	CK	32	9 20	2 20
Neill Q Smith.....	CK	17	5 25	3 25
M L Branch 2w.....	CK	58	19 75	63 75
R L Underwood 2w..	D&R	75	106 70	27 70
SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE				
Mrs E A Wing, sofp	sofp	5	5 85	5 60
J B Rise.....	D&R	15	8 25	2 50
W P Darnell.....	BFL	14	35 40	1 50
J A Woodall.....	BFL	28	50 50	1 50
Rose Lull	BS	10	1 00	1 30
Isaac R Harden.....	BFL	29	30 75	
C E Sutton.....	BFL	51	26 00	7 50
G B Case.....	BFL BS	29	42 00	50
Joseph Revans	GC	20	5 00	32 50
RECAPITULATION				
Cumberland Conference..	138	100	30	29 70
Georgia Conference.....	75	52	05	16 80
Florida Conference.....	38	6 00	5 50	
North Carolina Conf....	324	284	85	118 85
South Carolina Conf....	201	204	95	52 90
Totals ..	776	648	15	223 75

THE WEEKLY GOSPEL SENTINEL

THE delegates attending the convention and conference counsels already mentioned, rejected a proposition to discontinue the weekly paper, wisely, we think, insisting that a weekly paper is a necessity to our church missionary societies and isolated members in pushing the home missionary work, but that a less expensive paper than the weekly *Watchman* was required. To meet this need the *Gospel Sentinel* has been started. It will be especially adapted to the purpose for which it will be used and the place it is designed to occupy—free distribution in the home field. To this end the price has been made as low as possible, 50 cents per year for single subscriptions, and 25 cents in clubs of five or more. This brings it within the reach of all, and it should be scattered like the leaves of autumn all over America. Thus it is only one cent per week if one copy is taken, and one-half cent per week per copy for five or more. Every church member can afford to pay two and a half cents each week for a club of five papers to distribute among their neighbors. No one can longer say he is too poor to purchase and give away the truth. The *Sentinel* should be circulated by tens of thousands, and we are confident that it will be.

Just now, when these two new periodicals are being started, we urge our workers to take hold energetically and make up a large subscription for each. Let each church act at once, and order as large a club as it can use.

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BY WAY OF REMINDER

CANVASSER'S institutes have been appointed in several conferences as follows:—

Tennessee River, Hazel, Ky., Jan. 28 to Feb. 8.
North Carolina, ———, Feb. 5-17.
Kentucky, Bowling Green, beginning Feb. 7.
Alabama, Birmingham, March 4-17.

NOTICE

THIS paper is mailed each Tuesday. All matter, other than canvassers' reports, designed for publication in any special issue, should be in the editor's hands not later than the preceding Wednesday to insure its insertion.

THE MONTHLY WATCHMAN

THE change of the *Watchman* from a weekly paper to a monthly magazine, has now been made in harmony with the recommendation of the General Conference Committee and the recent Bookmen's Convention held at Nashville. The change was also approved by the union conference councils following the convention, and the new enterprise has been launched. The first number of the magazine, bearing date of February, 1909, is now ready for circulation. An examination of its contents and general appearance and makeup, cannot fail to please all, and convince every intelligent person that its character will be such as to place it upon an equality with other magazines published by the denomination, with respect both to its artistic and literary merits and its subject matter. It is the purpose of both editors and publishers to make it an effectual agency in disseminating the truths for these days; and to this end it will keep abreast of the times. It will embody the good points of its weekly predecessor, together with important additional features.

There can be no question as to its sphere of usefulness or its adaptability to the needs of all classes of people, while it will especially commend itself to persons of education and thought, thus suiting it to the needs of those workers who are devoting their time to the sale of our periodicals. We therefore ask of our people and workers everywhere, the same consideration for the *Watchman* magazine as is given to other ten-cent periodicals published by us. We solicit your earnest attention to all matter you may receive from the publishers concerning this new journal.

JUNIOR READING COURSE

DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS: I feel sure you are all interested in the articles prepared for the Junior Reading Course, which are now going through this paper. These are notes on "Child Life in Mission Lands," and each member of the Junior Young People's Society should have a copy of this book for study. It is well illustrated, and may be had by sending twenty-five cents to the Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn.

A GOOD PLAN

ALABAMA'S wide awake missionary secretary has adopted, among others, the plan of supplying workers in the North or other parts of the country who wish to help the work in the Southern field, with the names and addresses of persons to whom they can send literature, to be followed by correspondence. These names and addresses are furnished the home secretary by the canvasser.

We recommend this plan to all of our state societies, and invite our brethren in other sections of the country to co-operate with us in this way. Names may be obtained by addressing any state conference office, or the REPORT OF PROGRESS.

NEW TESTAMENT PRIMER IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

WE have just received at this office sample copies of the "New Testament Primer" in the German, Danish, and Swedish languages. Any of the workers who desire copies of this book in either of these languages can secure them by addressing this house. Prices, 35 cents in board binding and 60 cents in cloth.

FICTION AND MORALS

AS we view the low moral ebb of our country to-day, we wonder why such conditions exist; but can we wonder long when we look into our public libraries, and see the almost numberless volumes of all classes of fiction and comprehend the effect of such upon the public?

Again, try to count the magazines that are thrown broadcast, whose contents are fiction, and that a poor class. Glance at our newspapers; even they, to a large extent, carry only something to satisfy the mental craving for excitement.

It seems to us that candid thinkers should awake to a fact so vital to the welfare of this nation. People are what their education makes them. If we feed the mind on fiction, we are lowering their standard on morals and education.

According to statistics, more than seventy-five per cent. of the literature published in this country is fiction. With this fact before us, I appeal to the readers of this magazine to give this subject their earnest consideration. Let us put our shoulders to the wheel, and seek to hinder the progress of the evil.

A few days ago I heard a woman, who is the fond mother of three bright children, say

that within six weeks she had read five or six novels, and wished for more. Do you think that mother would enjoy seeing her little boy reading "Diamond Dick," "Buffalo Bill," "Nick Carter," or some other dime novel, when he should be getting his lessons for school?—No, indeed; she would be pained at the thought of such a thing.

How would a father feel who had worked hard year after year to send his children to school, to find that they had spent a large part of their time in reading novels.

Fiction reading also overtakes the nervous system, and causes the victim to feel tired. His food does not give him proper nourishment, then the body calls for a stimulant, thus leading to the use of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs.

We wish to impress it indelibly upon the minds of our readers that every book of fiction that is published, of whatever grade, is lowering the morals of the people. In the daytime people read fiction, and at night they flock to the theaters by the thousands to further foster the habit they cherish so dear. Down the road multitudes of humanity are rushing.

You cannot fill a basket with chips and gold at the same time neither can you fill the minds of our young people with knowledge that will be useful to them through life and with fiction.

In the haste of this twentieth century, are we not going to take time to consider where we are leading the next generation? To a large degree they will follow in our footsteps. Shall we step aside and let them rush on, and do nothing to warn them of their danger?

How shall we warn them when public libraries, the church and home libraries, are alike filled with fiction? It is human to excuse ourselves when things seem against us. But we are here, and we are free moral agents. At the judgment bar of God we shall be held accountable for our influence over those with whom we have lived.

Let us help one another, and especially the young, to form only such habits as will tend to their uplifting, and encourage them to use a better grade of literature, thus forming purer lives.—*The Bulletin*.

If any one has a copy of the *Review* of Aug. 20, 1901, and would kindly send it to us, it would be conferring a great favor. Direct L. A. Smith, editor of the *Watchman*, 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn.

MISS KATE HOWARD, Albany, Georgia, desires late clean copies of any of our denominational papers, tracts, etc., sent post-paid for free missionary distribution.

IF YOU ARE IN EARNEST

ENDEAVOR to do your work better than it has ever been done before.

Believe in its worth and dignity, no matter how humble it may be.